

## Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, July 22, 2008, at 8:40 a.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Selzer, Members Owens, Rackauskas, Moss, Clark and Butler

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator ; Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Judith LaCasse, Recording Secretary, County Administrator's Office

Elected Officials/  
Department Heads: None

Others Present: None

Chairman Selzer called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

Chairman Selzer presented a request for approval to accept and place on file the County Treasurer's Monthly Report as of June 30, 2008.

Ms. McNeil, County Treasurer, thanked the Committee for allowing her to present the Financial Reports at a Stand-up Committee meeting.

Ms. McNeil reported that CD rates are down. She noted that some long-term CD's are at 3.85% and 3.5%. Ms. McNeil indicated that the rates are "all over the board" right now.

Ms. McNeil stated that Money Market rates are down slightly, with less than 2% on many of the County's Money Markets. She added that this reduction was anticipated.

The Summary of Retailers Occupation Tax, State Income Tax and Personal Property Replacement Tax Revenue Report for the month ending June 30, 2008 reflect the following:

- Retailers Occupation Tax Revenue Year to Date is \$2,820,886.45, which is 0.93% above last year and 47.81% of budget.
- State Income Tax Revenue is \$1,140,445.82, which is 10.81% above last year and 61.63% of budget.
- Personal Property Replacement Tax Revenue is \$995,722.49, which is 5.13% above last year and 58.89% of budget.

Ms. McNeil advised that these figures are tracking on budget, as we are six months into the year.

A recap of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance for the General Fund as of June 30, 2008 is as follows:

- The total Revenue as of June 30, 2008 was \$12,136,995.88, which is 38.11% of budget;
- Expenditures are \$16,211,118.92, which is 50.91% of budget;
- The Fund Balance as of June 30, 2008 was \$8,760,882.31.

Ms. McNeil noted that the first Property Tax installment was fully distributed as of last week. Therefore, the Property Tax revenue as of June 30 is lower than last year when property tax revenues were distributed earlier to the taxing bodies. Ms. McNeil pointed out that, on the expense side, there was a payroll expense on June 30<sup>th</sup>, which caused the expense to appear higher than last year.

Ms. McNeil reviewed the CDAP Revolving Loan Report, noting that, as of June 30, 2008, two loans were outstanding. The loans were subsequently paid and are currently up-to-date.

Ms. McNeil stated that the Employee Benefit Fund Balance has dropped since the beginning of the year by approximately \$100,000.00. She added that the County has a healthy Fund Balance.

Chairman Selzer asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, he thanked Ms. McNeil.

Motion by Owens/Clark to accept and place on file the Month-end Financial Reports from the County Treasurer's Office for the month ending June 30, 2008, as submitted.

Ms. Rackauskas asked what is considered a long-term CD. Ms. McNeil replied that six to twelve months would be considered a long-term CD for the General Fund. She indicated that she would not go beyond a twelve month CD because eventually the rates will come back up. Ms. Rackauskas asked what is the longest CD taken out. Ms. McNeil replied that the longest CD she has taken out was two years, which was for the Nursing Home Fund.

Motion carried.

Chairman Selzer presented a request for approval of a Resolution rescinding the Offer to Approve the CDAP Revolving Loan Application for DESTIHL, LLC. He advised that the CDAP loan in the amount of \$350,000.00 to DESTIHL, LLC was approved on

June 19, 2007. Since the date of approval of the CDAP Revolving Loan, the loan has still not closed.

Chairman Selzer indicated that it was recently learned that the primary commercial bank is willing to provide conventional financing to DESTIHL, LLC. Therefore, DESTIHL no longer qualifies for a CDAP Revolving Loan.

Chairman Selzer noted that he is not sure if the owners are fully aware of this action. Mr. Zeunik stated that Mr. Marty Vanags, CEO, Economic Development Council of Bloomington-Normal/McLean County, was advised of this situation. Mr. Zeunik noted that Mr. Vanags is the contact person with the lender and with the applicant.

Mr. Zeunik advised that the County Administrator's Office and Mr. Eric Ruud, First Assistant State's Attorney, made several attempts to set up a date to close on the loan, but to no avail. He indicated that there was a meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup> with representatives from Busey Bank and with Mr. Vanags to discuss the loan and to advise them that, since it has been over a year since the Board approved the loan, updated information was required. At that meeting, both representatives from Busey Bank indicated that Busey Bank was prepared to make the loan. Mr. Zeunik noted that if DESTIHL is able to obtain conventional financing, it is no longer eligible to receive the CDAP loan.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend approval of the  
Resolution Rescinding the Offer to Approve the CDAP  
Revolving Loan Application for DESTIHL, LLC.

Mr. Owens recommended that a time frame for accepting the loan be established. Mr. Zeunik indicated that the County's regulations regarding CDAP Revolving Loans will be amended to include a time frame for accepting a loan. This information will also be included on the application form so that a borrower understands the time regulation.

Chairman Selzer called for a vote on the Motion.

Motion carried.

There being nothing further to come before the Committee at this time, Chairman Selzer adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse  
Recording Secretary